



Chairperson Vice-Chair

DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Thursday, December 10, 2009

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Thursday, December 10, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Redeemer Church, 1721 Junction in Detroit, Michigan.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present

Ronald L. Griffin (**ABS**)
Mohamed Okdie (**ABS**)
Jerome L. Warfield
Toney Stewart (**ABS**)
Adela Rivera (**ABS**)

Cmdr. James White
Cmdr. Todd Bettison
Cmdr. Dwayne McKissic
Insp. Nick Kyriacou
Sgt. Bernard Beck-O' Steen
Sgt. Vanessa Wyatt
P.O. Franklin Hayes

Department Personnel Present

AC Lawrence Meyer
DC James Tolbert
DC Herbert Moreland
Cmdr. Debra Fair
Cmdr. John Serda
Cmdr. Dwayne Love
Cmdr. Brian Davis
Cmdr. Lewis Bray
Cmdr. Catherine Tuttle
Cmdr. Benjamin Lee
Cmdr. Frankie Lewis
Insp. Gary Sroka
Insp. Alicia Terry
Sgt. Hilton Kincaid
P.O. Sophia Nelms

Board Staff Present

Dr. Richard Visingardi, Secretary to the Board
Celia Banks-Washington, Attorney/Supervising Inv.
Arnold Sheard, Chief Investigator
Dalph Watson, Director of Police Personnel
Lt. Daniel Allen
Ainsley Cromwell, Supervising Inv.
Leslie J. Griffin, Community Affairs Coordinator
P.O. Kent Cooper

OTHERS PRESENT

Rosa Cruz-Avila
Henry Russell
Victor Ahla
Molly Sweeney

Beatniz Rams
Charlie Thomas
Linda Krahn
James Flake

Bernice Smith
Josephine Smith
Jeremy Sistrunk

RECORDERS

PO Robert Gibson
Robert Brown

Sgt. Alan Quinn
PO John Donanowski

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Griffin called the meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 6:40 p.m.

He then asked if anyone from the church wanted to bring greetings.

Elder Davis stated on behalf of Bishop Vann he would like to welcome everyone.

Attorney C. Washington read the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Police Commissioners.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda for September 10, 2009 was not presented given the lack of a quorum.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes for September 3, 2009 were not presented given the lack of a quorum.

4. BOPC OFFICER'S REPORT

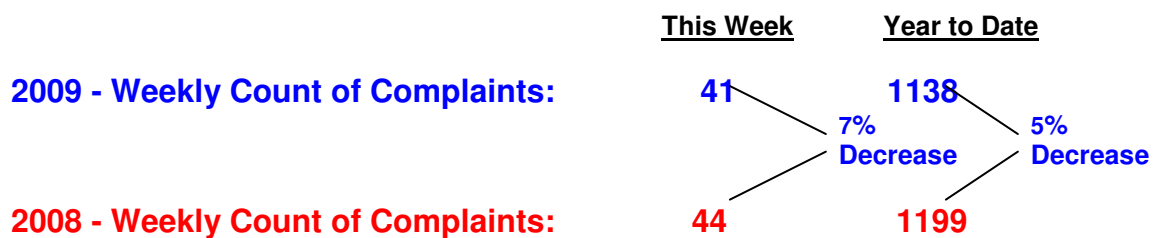
1. CHAIRPERSON

2. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Board of Police Commissioners' Office will be **CLOSED** on the following date:

Friday, September 18, 2009, due to the Budgeted Required Furlough Days.

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED



- The Office of the Chief Investigator has a total of **1,114** active investigations, of which **748** of those are for 2009. A total of **1,288** investigations have been closed since January 1, 2009.

TOTAL WEEKLY ALLEGATIONS & COMMAND

Total	COMMAND	ALLEGATIONS									Total
CCR	W/E 09/10/09	Arrest	Demeanor	Force	Harassment	Entry	Procedure	Property	Search	Service	Allegations
1	CENTRAL		1								1
1	EASTERN		1								1
6	NORTHEASTERN		3				3	1			7
4	NORTHWESTERN		1				3			1	5
1	SOUTHWESTERN		1								1
3	GANG ENFORCEMENT		1				2				3
1	CHIEF OF POLICE		1	1						1	3
4	COMMUNICATIONS		2							2	4
1	TRAFFIC									1	1
13	Unknown Command		9	2			7			4	22
1	HARBORMASTER		1								1
5	12TH PRECINCT		2				3			1	6
41			23	3			18	1		10	55

5. PRESENTATION/REPORT-CHIEF OF POLICE

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Detroit Police Department

Report to the Board of Police Commissioners



Special Points of Interest:

- **Next meeting:**

Thursday, September 17, 2009

@ 3:00 P.M.

Detroit Police Department
1300 Beaubien #328-A
Detroit, Michigan 48226

“Building a Safer Detroit Through Community Partnerships”

The Detroit Police Department is committed to uphold its mission to provide a safe environment for our residents and businesses. This effort is not possible without the joint commitment of the community and the Police Department. We appreciate and value the role our citizens have played in helping us to take the guns and drugs off the streets of the city of Detroit.

SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Domestic Violence

On September 4, 2009, officers of the Northeastern District responded to the 5000 block of Moran on “Family Trouble” and a subject was arrested. As a result of the investigation conducted by members of Domestic Violence, the subject was charged with 2 counts of “Assault with a Dangerous Weapon (Felony Assault), Interfering with a Crime Report, and Domestic Violence.”

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Engaging the Community

Citizens wishing to make a police report may do so at the District/Precinct stations in the city of Detroit. Citizens may also utilize the following District Mini/Sub-Stations to make reports.

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hours of Operation</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
	1300 Beaubien	24 Hours	596-5100
	2151 E. Jefferson	24 Hours	596-6400
	7737 Kercheval	*8 a.m. to 2 p.m.	628-2121
	19810 Grand River	*9 a.m. to 9 p.m.	870-0649
	13530 Lesure	8 a.m. to 11 p.m.	596-5300
	2575 S. Schaefer	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	297-9423
	20 Atwater	24 Hours	237-2850
	13206 E. Jefferson	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	821-5851
	22101 Moross (St. John Hospital)	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	343-7506
	14700 Mack	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	852-4046

* Mini-Stations– Monday –Friday

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Police / Community Intervention

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Twelfth Precinct

On September 6, 2009, while on routine patrol in the area of West Eight Mile and Wyoming, officers of the Twelfth Precinct investigated a vehicle for disregarding a traffic control signal. As a result of their investigation, a weapon was recovered and a subject was arrested and charged with "Carrying a Concealed Weapon."



Northeastern District

On September 4, 2009, while on routine patrol in the area of 6 Mile and Conant, officers of the Northeastern District investigated a vehicle for disregarding a traffic signal. As a result of their investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with "Carrying a Concealed Weapon and Motor Vehicle Advisory." A weapon was recovered.



Tenth Precinct

On August 31, 2009, while on routine patrol in the area of Joy and Yosemite, officers of the Tenth Precinct arrested a subject wanted in a previous robbery. Subsequent to their investigation, the subject was charged with "Carjacking, Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm, and Larceny from a Motor Vehicle." The complainant's vehicle and property were recovered.



Northwestern District

On August 31, 2009, officers of the Northwestern District responded to the 17000 block of Plymouth to meet an individual who identified a person responsible for a robbery. Subsequent to their investigation, a subject was arrested, and charged with "Carjacking, Robbery Not Armed, and Larceny from a Person."

AC Godbee introduced all of the Commanding Officers in attendance, as well as Cmdr. Peltier of the Northeastern District.

He also gave his support for the two officers who were fired upon and shot. He then stated that they are recovering from the incident.

Cmdr. Peltier introduced her staff and Cmdr. Lewis and gave a brief overview of the Northeastern District's initiatives, such as safe routes to school, National Night Out and Vice Operations.

She introduced also Sgt. Bliss who gave an overview and demonstration of the Segway.

Cmdr. Lewis gave an overview of patrol operations within the Northeastern District, such as taking a gun a day off the streets.

SEE ATTACHMENT

Comm. Holley asked how the Segway will be used during difficult weather.

Cmdr. Peltier stated the city will make sure that the snow is plowed around the schools.

She also mentioned that the district has a rapid response initiative in place where the officers will be doing their reports inside of their cars without having to come into the district.

Chairperson Griffin asked to know the price of the Segway.

Sgt. Bliss stated it cost about \$6,100, but the grant will pay for them.

Chairperson Griffin stated he did a ride-along with the Chief and during that time, a call came through about a black male shooting at two DPD officers. A description of the perpetrator was sent out and during their travels to the location, they saw him and arrested him.

During the ride-along, they also made several legal stops. In each and every stop, either the driver did not have a valid driver license or was wanted for a felony warrant arrest. He stated he will provide a detailed report on this and will continue to do the ride-alongs.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no standing committee reports.

7. NEW BUSINESS

1. RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS Ms. Doina Rosu has been a resident of the Northeastern District for twenty-three years and has been an active member Community Relations; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu is a Community Advocate for the Northeastern District; and is committed to helping the community. She was the Chair of the Communications Committee of the Indian Village Association and Editor/Publisher of its monthly newsletter; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu was instrumental in the Indian Village Association donating money to purchase food to feed the officers as a show of appreciation for their hard work and dedication to the public; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu assisted with the Northeastern District Police/Community Walk, spearheaded by former Deputy Chief Chester L. Logan. She also partnered with Investigator Brian Fountain of Police Community Services, spearheading two (2) Crime Prevention workshops for residents within the Northeastern District Community; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu took over the Community Relation's mailing list and monthly flier in the fall of 2008. By managing both, she reduced the district's monthly expense while distribution was guaranteed every month; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu became the Editor and Publisher of the Northeastern District Monthly newsletter, which she renamed, "The Northeastern District Connection." In May 2009, she graduated from the Detroit Police Department's Citizens Police Academy; and

WHEREAS Ms. Rosu has been involved in numerous Northeastern District sponsored community events; including the Easter Egg Hunt, Motor City Makeover, National Police Week, National Night Out, Angel's Night Task Force, Senior Turkey Bingo and Veteran's Day Luncheon.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners; speaking for the citizens of the city of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, acknowledges the generous spirit of Ms. Doina Rosu. Her unselfishness and dedication to improving the quality of life for all citizens in her community and throughout the city of Detroit, merits our highest regards.

We thank and congratulate you, Ms. Doina Rosu.

DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Rev. Ronald L. Griffin
Chairperson

/s/ Mohamed Okdie
Vice Chairperson

/s/ Toney Stewart
Commissioner

/s/ Adela Rivera Commissioner	ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS September 10, 2009	/s/ Jim Holley Commissioner
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The Resolution was not approved given the lack of a quorum.

AC Godbee presented the Certificate of Recognition and Cmdr. Lewis presented the Spirit of Detroit Award to Ms. Rosu.

D. Rosu thanked everyone for these awards and stated she love DPD.

8. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 17, 2009
Police Headquarters
1300 Beaubien, Rm. 328-A
Detroit, MI 48226

10. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

T. Lewis asked everyone to keep Officer Brown and his daughter who was involved in a car accident in their prayers.

V. Peake asked if the department can take a look at the district community relations councils to see if they are meeting their goals or do they need to be revamped.

Comm. Holley asked Ms. Peake who she is addressing the question to.

V. Peake stated the police department.

Chairperson Griffin stated for Ms. Peake to submit any other questions in writing that pertains to the DPD and to make sure the Board receives a copy.

J. Semma stated it was embarrassing to see the report on Ch. 2 News regarding Gasper Fiore Towing because it affects all of the towers. She stated she has been complaining to the department for years and nothing has been done.

AC Godbee stated the Chief is dissatisfied with the current process and understands that it is unfair and asked for Ms. Semma to be patient because the Task Force has to make sure that the current rules are adhered to before they can proceed.

S. Weber stated this is his last meeting as he will be moving on to finish his study for the priesthood. He thanked everyone for their support.

S. Lewis asked if she can get some help with the businesses in her community because they don't keep their property clean. She also mentioned the problem with all of the literature that is placed on poles and other illegal places.

AC Godbee stated for her to see Sgt. Carey and PO Black and they will assist her with this matter.

Elder Davis asked if the drug dealers would be prosecuted for selling drugs to our young children.

Chairperson Griffin stated it depends on who you are talking to - the prosecutor's office or the police department. Both will state they are doing everything that possibly can be done. What needs to happen is a round-table discussion with all parties at the table.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANTE' L. GOSS
Executive Director
Board of Police Commissioners

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